

General Assembly

Committee Bill No. 890

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Referred to Committee on Human Services

Introduced by: (HS)

AN ACT CONCERNING THE POWERS AND DUTIES OF CONSERVATORS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Section 45a-657 of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2005*):
- (a) If a person has both a conservator of the person and a conservator of the estate who are not the same person and a conflict arises between the two concerning the duties and responsibilities or authority of either, the matter shall be submitted to the court of probate which appointed the conservators. Upon hearing, the court shall order the course of action which in the court's discretion is in the
- 9 best [interests] <u>interest</u> of the person under conservatorship.
- 10 (b) If a person has both a conservator of the person and a
- 11 conservator of the estate who is the same person and a conflict arises
- 12 between such conservator and an employee of the state allowed to
- 13 participate in a probate court proceeding in accordance with section
- 14 45a-131, there shall be a rebuttable presumption that the course of
- 15 action advanced by such conservator is in the best interest of the

16 person under conservatorship.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following
sections:

Section 1	October 1, 2005	45a-657

Statement of Purpose:

To clarify the role of a conservator and an employee of the Department of Social Services in Probate Court proceedings in situations where a conflict arises between such conservator and employee.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]

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